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Pets.tv Episode #403A

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Amazing Aquariums

Featuring: Cabrillo Marine Aquarium

General Synopsis for Episode #403A

In this episode Pets.tv, Amazing Aquariums, viewers visit the Cabrillo Marine Aquarium in San Pedro, CA. The aquarium is located next to the ocean and the Cabrillo Coastal Park where visitors can go on whale watching cruises during the annual migration from January through April. The museum's touch pools provide opportunities for visitors to touch sea stars, sea urchins and sea anomies and learn that sea stars(star fish)are not fish but that have several tooth feet to move them along and to catch their prey. At the plankton tank viewers observe jelly fish which can reach lengths of up to 100 feet. The viewers learn that jelly fish are more dangerous to people than sharks. The aquarium's aquatic nursery is a research lab where they breed and raise baby animals to fill the aquarium's tanks and share with other institutions. Mike Schaadt shares that the aquarium's mission is to teach people how to protect oceans and the environment and get them excited so they will keep the ocean healthy.

Observation and Conclusion

Episode #403A, young viewers will be excited about visiting a marine aquarium and gain interesting and informative knowledge about the ocean from the fish facts between each segment. This episode of <u>Pets.tv</u> delivers an educational and informational message that supports current social, intellectual and emotional aspects of children ages 13 and up.

Sincerely,

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